

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

God, our creator, from the beginning of time You have shown mercy to Your people. You have restored the fortunes of those who, time and again, have wasted Your bounty. You have forgiven Your people who over and over, turn their will from Yours. You have set aside Your wrath and spared us, yet again, the full measure of Your anger.

Like children, we sheepishly return to You hoping that You will still show Your love to us. Feeble are our oaths to follow Your will for us, and yet we dare to ask that You save us from our mistakes. O God, our savior, we desperately hope that You will put away Your displeasure and revive us again.

Despite our shortcomings and disingenuous ways, draw us near to You that we may rejoice again in You. Cause us to pause and listen for Your word. Inspire us to recommit ourselves to believe again in Your promises. Be gracious unto us, and give us what is good, that our land, our work, and our lives will yield a harvest befitting Your mercy.

May faithfulness spring forth from the Earth and may Your righteousness go with us and guide our steps.

In your saving name we pray.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1 of rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from New York (Mr. SEMPOLINSKI) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. SEMPOLINSKI led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

CONGRESS MUST PASS THE MOMNIBUS IMMEDIATELY

(Ms. UNDERWOOD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. UNDERWOOD. In October, new data showed how maternal health outcomes worsened during the pandemic. The number of maternal deaths in 2021 was nearly 80 percent higher than in 2018, with Black and Hispanic Americans experiencing the largest increases.

This is a crisis—and the Black Maternal Health Momnibus Act is the solution to that crisis.

The evidence-based investments in the momnibus will comprehensively address the drivers of maternal mortality, morbidity, and disparities.

Recently, 140 Members of Congress signed on to a letter calling for key momnibus provisions to be included in an end-of-year package, and a new poll found that passing the momnibus is the number one legislative priority for voters for the end of the year, with a majority of support from Democrats, Independents, and Republicans.

We must get this done. Congress must pass the momnibus immediately. Moms and families don't have any more time to wait.

ENERGY CRISIS

(Mr. SEMPOLINSKI asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SEMPOLINSKI. Mr. Speaker, today I share the concerns of my friends and neighbors in the 23rd District of New York, who have told me about their struggles just to get by due to this administration's reckless and disastrous policies.

President Biden's radical agenda has created an energy crisis that hurts every American. In the last 12 months, over a third of American households have sacrificed basic necessities so they could pay an energy bill. Unfortunately, this will only worsen as the Energy Information Administration projects that families will spend a 25-year high for their energy this winter.

As Americans deal with the burden of higher energy prices and out-of-control inflation, the so-called Inflation Reduction Act added more restrictions on Federal oil and gas leasing.

For the good of the American people and the safety of our Nation, we must act now. Open our domestic oil and gas leases and stop the burdensome regulations that are an assault on U.S. energy development.

I represent one of the most beautiful areas of America, but one that gets very cold in the winter. This is a life-or-death issue for those of limited means in the district I represent.

CONGRATULATING LARRY EVANS

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Larry Evans for his recent selection to the Georgia 40 Under 40 list.

Larry Evans is a successful attorney, who focuses on civil litigation matters for clients ranging in size from small, local businesses all the way to Fortune 500 companies.

While many who pursue a profession as demanding as his are unable to find a balance between work and life, Larry has been able to strike that balance wonderfully. His drive to contribute to

the greater good has led him to serve on the boards of the Savannah Center for the Blind and Low Vision and Junior Achievement of Georgia. Both of these charities are focused, high-impact programs for students in the areas of financial literacy and career readiness. These programs also focus on fostering an entrepreneurial spirit in the youth of the First District of Georgia.

Larry also holds a deep reverence for the outdoors and would rather be outside than nearly anywhere else. He regularly spends time running, hiking, paddling, and connecting with nature.

A true example of someone who works hard and fully commits to everything he does, Larry Evans is someone we can all look up to.

I, on behalf of the entire First District of Georgia, congratulate him for his outstanding service to this State and his selection to the Georgia 40 Under 40 list.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The House will resume proceedings on postponed questions at a later time.

DATA MAPPING TO SAVE MOMS' LIVES ACT

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (S. 198) to require the Federal Communications Commission to incorporate data on maternal health outcomes into its broadband health maps, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

S. 198

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Data Mapping to Save Moms' Lives Act".

SEC. 2. MAPPING BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY AND MATERNAL HEALTH OUTCOMES.

(a) INCORPORATION OF MATERNAL MORTALITY AND SEVERE MATERNAL MORBIDITY DATA.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Federal Communications Commission shall incorporate publicly available data on maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity, including for not less than 1 year postpartum, into the Mapping Broadband Health in America platform of the Commission.

(b) CONSULTATION WITH CDC.—The Federal Communications Commission shall consult with the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention regarding the maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity data that should be incorporated under subsection (a).

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PALLONE) and the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. JOYCE) each will control 20 minutes.